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HNVF Committee and Staff Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services San José City Hall 200 East Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95113

To the HNVF Committee and staff:

As we know, the HNVF Committee is in the process of re-envisioning the direction and purpose of HNVF in order to better serve the community based organizations that provide our neighborhoods with needed services. This process is an exciting one, but it is also one that requires a greater level of commitment from committee members. For this reason, I am unable to continue my work with HNVF, and I am submitting this letter as my official resignation from my position as a community representative. Although I would feel great satisfaction from being a part of this meaningful process, I simply cannot commit the time and energy that the work of this committee calls for at this important juncture.

My decision to resign from my position as a community representative stems from the fact that while I am called to dedicate more time to the work of HNVF, I am also compelled to give more attention to my own professional goals as an instructor at Foothill College. Several challenges and opportunities for professional growth and contribution have presented themselves this past academic quarter, and I am called to give as much of my time to these opportunities as I can.

I would like to thank my fellow committee members, Councilwoman Judy Chirco, and the dedicated HNVF staff for working with me to help me better understand my role and responsibilities as a HNVF representative. I'm grateful for all I have learned from each and everyone of you, and it is my hope that the committee will find someone in the community to take over this position who can appreciate the importance of this work and dedicate themselves completely to the process. I thank all of you for your absolute dedication in working to improve how we support the important contributions and services that our community based organizations provide.

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